VAMPIRES IN THE LIBRARY

From early folk tales to the "penny dreadfuls" of the 19th century, vampires have always fascinated audiences. Bram Stoker published his classic *Dracula* in 1897. By the 20th century vampires had become such a popular subject that authors began toying with the nocturnal bloodsucking ghoul stereotype found in most gothic fiction. In contemporary fiction we find good vampires, vampire hunters, romantic vampires, funny vampires, and vampires as victims of a virus. Vampire novels tend to come in series, so keep an eye out for titles that are the beginning of a multivolume narrative.

Vampire stories have always involved lots of sex and violence. Parental discretion is advised.

Traditional Vampires

These fanged fiends will suck you dry.

Brite, Poppy Z. Lost Souls

Brownworth, Victoria A. (Ed.). Night Bites: Vampire Stories by Women

Clegg, Douglas. *The Priest of Blood* (first of the Vampyricon series)

Codrescu, Andrei. Blood Countess

Golden, Christopher. Of Saints and Shadows (first of the Shadow Saga)

Hinton, S.E. Hawkes Harbor

Kostova, Elizabeth. The Historian

Laymon, Richard. The Traveling Vampire Show

Le Fanu, Joseph Sheridan. Carmilla

Matheson, Richard. I Am Legend

McKinley, Robin. Sunshine

Rice, Anne. Interview with the Vampire (first of the Vampire Chronicles series)

Saberhagen, Fred. *The Dracula Tape* (first of the Dracula series)

Somtow, S.P. Vampire Junction

Stoker, Bram. Dracula

Strieber, Whitley. The Hunger

Thurlo, David. Second Sunrise (first of the Lee Nez series)

Wellington, David. 13 Bullets: A Vampire Tale

Yarbro, Chelsea. Hotel Transylvania (first of the Saint-Germain series)

Romantic Vampires

Fall in love, get your blood sucked, maybe hunt an undead ghoul or two.

Banks, L.A. Minion (first of the Vampire Huntress Legends series)

Bite [anthology]

Blue, Lucy. My Demon's Kiss (first of the Bound in Darkness series)

Brite, Poppy Z. (Ed.). Love in Vein: Twenty Original Tales of Vampiric Erotica

Brite, Poppy Z. (Ed.). Love in Vein II: Eighteen More Original Tales of Vampiric Erotica

Chance, Karen. *Touch the Dark* (first of the Cassandra Palmer series)

Cravings [anthology]

Elrod, P.N. (Ed.). My Big Fat Supernatural Wedding

Feehan, Christine. Dark Prince (first of the Carpathians series)

Hamilton, Laurell K. Guilty Pleasures (first of the Anita Blake: Vampire Hunter series)

Hays, Clark. The Cowboy and the Vampire

Immortal Bad Boys [anthology]

Love at First Bite [anthology]

Kenyon, Sherrilyn. Night Pleasures (first of the Dark-Hunter series)

MacAlister, Katie. A Girl's Guide to Vampires (first of the Dark Ones series)

McCarthy, Erin. My Immortal (first of the Seven Deadly Sins series)

Meyer, Stephanie. *Twilight* (first of the Twilight series)

Roberts, Nora. *Morrigan's Cross* (first of the Circle trilogy)

Sands, Lynsay. Single White Vampire (first of the Argeneau series)

Sizemore, Susan. I Burn for You (first of the Primes Romances series)

Sparks, Kerrelyn. How to Marry a Millionaire Vampire (first of the Love at Stakes series)

Viehl, Lynn. *If Angels Burn* (first of the Darkyn series)

Ward, J.R. Dark Lover (first of the Black Dagger Brotherhood series)

Humorous Vampires

A somewhat lighter take on the vampire romance genre, these books see the irony in the undead.

Acevedo, Mario. Nymphos of Rocky Flats (first of the Felix Gomex series)

Davidson, Maryjanice. *Undead and Unwed* (first of the Undead series)

Fox, Andrew. Fat White Vampire Blues (first of the Fat White Vampire series)

Harris, Charlaine. *Dead Until Dark* (first of the Southern Vampire series)

Harris, Charlaine & Toni L.P. Kelner (Ed.). Many Bloody Returns

MacAlister, Katie. You Slay Me (first of the Aisling Grey series)

Moore, Christopher. Bloodsucking Fiends: A Love Story (first of the Vampire Love Stories series)

Sosnowski, David. Vamped

Graphic Novels

Stories with pictures can be twice as scary!

Feehan, Christine. Dark Hunter (YA 741.5973 F2954d)

Hamilton, Laurell K. Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter, Vol.1: Guilty Pleasures (741.5973 H2189a v.1)

Hino, Matsuri. Vampire Knight. Vol. 1 (YA 741.5952 H6639v v.1)

Judal. Vampire Game. Vol. 1 (YA 741.5952 J921v v.1)

Kagesaki, Yuna. Chibi Vampire. 1 (YA 741.5952 K119c v.1)

Lee, So-Young. Model. Volume One. (YA 741.5952 S6759m v.1)

Schreiber, Ellen. Vampire Kisses. Volume 1, Blood Relatives (YA 741.5973 S3781v v.1)

Tome, Kei. Lament of the Lamb. Vol. 1 (YA 741.5952 T725L v.1)

Whedon, Joss. Buffy the Vampire Slayer, Season Eight, Volume One: the Long Way Home (YA 741.5973 W559bL)

Whedon, Joss. Fray (YA 741.5973 W559f)

Whedon, Joss. Tales of the Vampires (YA 741.5973 T1438)

Vampire Nonfiction

Learn more about how vampires have been portrayed in art, fiction, and folklore.

Barlett, W.B. Legends of the Blood: the Vampire in History and Myth (398.21 B2916L)
Barber, Paul. Vampires, Burial, and Death: Folklore and Reality (398.45 B2341v)
Hoyt, Olga. Lust for Blood: the Consuming Story of Vampires (398.45 H871L)
Phillips-Summers, Diana. Vampires: a Bloodthirsty History in Art and Literature (133.423 P563v)
Skal, David J. V. is for Vampire: the A-to-Z Guide to Everything Undead (398 S62v)

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